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CASIMIR
"Our Insurance for America" will be the theme of the Casimir PTA meeting on Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Teachers will be introduced and there will be a community sing led by Mrs. Louis Rock, music chairman. Board members will serve refreshments.

Mrs. Gene Fister, program chairman, and her committee chose "America's Showcase—Our Children" as the year's theme.

ARLINGTON
Oct. 1 is the date of the first paper drive for the school year at Arlington. The drive will be held from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The PTA welcomed the faculty at a luncheon on Sept. 11. Mrs. Henry N. Perkins, president, held her first board meeting Sept. 5.

RIVIERA
Taking the place of the first Riviera PTA meeting will be group conferences and open house at Riviera School. Parents of kindergarten through the third grade will attend Sept. 24; fourth through sixth, Sept. 25, and seventh and eighth, Sept. 26. The hour is 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria following the meeting.

SEPUVEDA
Sepulveda PTA will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7:30 p.m. Open House will be held and all teachers will be in classrooms to explain the school program.

SEASIDE
All parents and interested persons are invited to Seaside's annual Open House on Sept. 24. Teachers will be in their classrooms to meet parents and explain the program. A business meeting will be held in the cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

"Season Tickets" is Seaside PTA's theme this year. A carnival in October is the next major event.

CALLE MAYOR
Calle Mayor PTA, Joseph Carrier, president, welcomed the faculty at a buffet luncheon at the school on Sept. 11.

Mmes. Roy Burkhalter, Joseph O'Neill, C. Cowder and Ralph Shafer were in charge of the event.

COLUMBIA
"The Family Studies Together" was the topic of the first meeting of the Columbia PTA on Sept. 17, with Mrs. Kenneth Poiry, president, in charge. Mrs. Walter Witte, program chairman, announced the year's theme as "Family Communication."

Lester Foster, principal, introduced the teachers. After the meeting, parents visited their child's classroom.

EDISON
Edison PTA held its annual Teachers Brunch on Sept. 11 in the school cafeteria. The kindergarten Mothers Tea was held Sept. 13. Mrs. David Hagan is PTA president.

HOWARD WOOD
Howard Wood PTA board welcomed the teachers at a luncheon on Sept. 11 and served coffee and cookies to

kindergarten parents on Sept. 13.

Board members met Sept. 19 at the home of Mrs. Paul Crossman to discuss the annual PTA carnival.

Parents are invited to attend the first PTA meeting on Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. A paper drive is set for Oct. 1 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to help may contact Mrs. Chester Beene or Mrs. Donald Barrow.

MADISON
Madison PTA welcomed the teachers at a luncheon in the cafeteria on Sept. 11. Mrs. Charles Mathers, president, introduced the faculty and a skit was presented by the "Madison Miserables" on the theme "Follow the Yellow Brick Road."

Madison PTA will meet the last Thursday of each month. At the first meeting of the year, Mrs. Geneva Shelton, principal, introduced the faculty and gave the inspirational.

PARKWAY
Parkway PTA Board honored its returning principal, Dr. Edward J. Richardson and the school faculty with a luncheon on Sept. 11. The PTA board also served coffee to parents on the first day of school.

MAGRUDER
"Up, Up, and Away" was the theme of the Magruder PTA Board's luncheon on Sept. 10, welcoming the teachers.

Mrs. Donald Matson welcomed kindergarten parents at a coffee on Sept. 13 and C. R. Wallner, principal, explained school policies. On Sept. 16, the Magruder PTA Bowling League began. Anyone interested may contact Mrs. Matson.

SOUTH HIGH
At South High's PTA board meeting on Sept. 5, Mrs. Donald Huey, hospitality chairman, announced plans for the teachers luncheon on Sept. 10. Plans were also made for the family spaghetti dinner held before the football game on Sept. 13.

WALTERIA
Walteria PTA held a "Hello Happening" for parents of new students on Sept. 13 in the school cafeteria.

Larry Miller, principal, greeted the parents who later toured the specialty classes. Teachers were honored at a luncheon on Sept. 11.

WEST HIGH
First event of the year for West High PTA was the annual Teachers Luncheon Sept. 10 under the direction of Mrs. Arlo Hagen, hospitality chairman.

Mrs. William Robertson, president, has announced new chairmen, Mmes. Robert Golden, budget and finance; A. R. Robertson, communication; Raymond Cox, Jr., courtesy; Anthony D'Acquisito, ECT; Thomas McIntire, Honorary Life and Founders Day; Arlo Hagen, hospitality; William Coombs, inspiration; Melvin Halverson, magazines; Alfred Loek, Newslette; William F. Magaro, publicity; and Frank Johnston, record book.

Eastern Star Chapter Notes Brothers Night

Brothers' Night was observed by the Torrance Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, last Thursday evening with Wayne Larson, associate patron, in charge.

Stations filled by substitute officers were chaplain, Edna Babcock; treasurer, Florence Villenave; secretary, Florence Childs; and flag bearer, Robert Purcell.

Special escort was given to 18 "brothers" attending as well as Ethel Dowling, deputy grand matron of the 76th district of the Grand Chapter of the State of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

Worthy matrons and patrons of the 76th district presented were Anna Mae and Elden Hostetter, Wilmington; Murriel Gasser and Burton Washburn, Lo-

mita; Walter Foster, Point Fermin; Edith Gardner, Carnation.

Past matrons and patrons of the Torrance chapter introduced were Juliette Johnson, Jean Mosher, Fred Bever, Edna Babcock, Vincent Villenave, Joan Simpson, Florence Villenave; Bernice Ruppel, Raymond Lougee, Vern St. John, Lois Lougee, Ruth Hardin, Homer Morgan, Allan Butler, and Elizabeth Macdonald, affiliated past matron of 1943.

Special guests were nine past matrons and patrons of other jurisdictions.

The program, presented by Wayne Larson, consisted of many popular songs by a barbershop quartet, "The After Burners."

Refreshments were served in the dining room.

Beta Gammas To Hear Talk On 'Poetry'

Preceptor Beta Gamma chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, will meet at the home of Mrs. Edward Rice, Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 8 p.m. The cultural program for that evening is "Periods of Poetry" and will be given by Mrs. Rice.

Mrs. W. Turney Fox, of Glendale, will be installed as the chapter's honorary member.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Edward Porter will serve refreshments.

Members from this area are Mmes. Charles Lockwood, Edward Porter and Miss Ruth Phelps.

Loaded With Food

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Chapter to Mark 11th Birthday

Xi Zeta Lambda Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi will celebrate its 11th birthday with a dinner at the Jump 'n' Jack restaurant on Tuesday evening, Sept. 24, at 8 p.m. A business meeting will follow.

Mrs. Ray Millhouse, chapter sponsor, will be a special guest.

Others who have made reservations are Mmes. Charles Blackburn, Troy Conn, Bert Whited, Clarence Turner, Mark Hulse, Lester Teeters, Angus Mitchell, Charles Mel-Lodge, Charles Marsh, William Guthormsen, Richard Musto, Pierre Vererberuggen, Katherine Bodine and Miss Paula Stern.

Miss Stern was recently elected chapter candidate for Queen of the Stardust Ball, sponsored by the South Bay Area Council of Beta Sigma Phi.

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Whatever It's Shape, It Is Cake" from program outline, "Practical and Decorative Arts," will be demonstrated to members of Preceptor Alpha Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi by Miss Martha Oehlerking at the Sept. 23 meeting at 8 p.m. at home, 23028-A Nadine Circle, Torrance. A short business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Andrew Foster, president, will follow.

Mrs. Foster announced the chapter achieved the honor of being a "Three Star Chapter" selected by International Headquarters for chapters which excel in philanthropic, social and cultural activities.

Mrs. Jacqueline Pinkney was voted the "Sweetheart" candidate to represent Preceptor Alpha Beta at the annual Sweetheart Ball in February at Lococo's, Manhattan Beach.

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Rounding out their itinerary will be a tour of Central America in May and a visit to Mexico in June.



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MRS. TIMOTHY M. SIMON
(Gordon Akers Photo)

Honeymoon in Jamaica

After a honeymoon in Miami Beach, Florida, and Jamaica, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Michael Simon, who were married recently at the South Bay Church of God, are now at home at 15828 Denker Ave., Apt. 2, Gardena.

Mrs. Simon is the former Miss Nelliann Bazilius, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Bazilius, 16945 Van Ness Ave., Torrance. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simon of Long Beach.

Mr. Bazilius escorted his daughter to the altar. She wore a gown of lace over silk organza fashioned with a lace train. Her veil was held by a floral cluster and she carried an arm sheath of yellow roses.

In yellow chiffon, attendants were Miss Delma Musenden, maid of honor and Mrs. Eleanor Blankenship, matron of honor.

Richard Simon served his brother as best man and the 360 guests were seated by Anthony Bazilius, Charles Simon III and Raymond Sprague.

Rev. Edward Lorenz officiated at the marriage and nuptial music was played by George Jeffery, who also accompanied Mrs. Martha Davis, soloist.

A reception was held at the church, followed by a dinner-dance at the Gardena YWCA with the Al Jervais band furnishing the music.

The bride is a graduate of North High and El Camino College. Her husband, a pre-med student at Long Beach State College, was graduated from Milikan High and Long Beach City College.

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John Stroms Leaving on World Trip

Departing on a year-long tour this month are a couple of local educators who plan to spend their sabbatical leave on a 100-leg journey around the world.

Making the study tour are Mr. and Mrs. John Strom. Strom is principal of Sepulveda Elementary School, Torrance, and Mrs. Strom teaches in Redondo Beach. The couple reside in Long Beach.

Leaving by Japan Air Lines jetliner, the Stroms plan stopovers in Japan, Korea, Taiwan and the Philippines before proceeding to Bangkok, Thailand next month.

They hope to arrive in New Delhi, India by Thanksgiving and Istanbul, Turkey in time for Christmas.

Shortly after the new year gets under way, the Stroms will take off for Africa, arriving in Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa, Jan. 11 and in the Republic of South Africa Feb. 1.

After a stopover in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa in early March, they will go on to South America where they will spend six weeks visiting Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Bolivia and Peru.

Rounding out their itinerary will be a tour of Central America in May and a visit to Mexico in June.

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

I think it's absolutely marvelous the way some people are able to decorate their homes with old sea chests as end tables. Or, as you see advertised so often, they'll make a cocktail table out of a ship's hatch cover. And strung across the length of one wall will be a fishnet. (Not stockings.)

It's hard when you enter their living room not to chant, "Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum."

Admittedly, they DO make wonderful "conversation pieces," although, come to think of it, what else do you say after you've made the point that they're wonderful conversation pieces?

I have come to believe, however, that there's a factory — probably in Southern California — which turns out the curios on an assembly line basis. How else could there be so many old sailor's seachests around? And do sailors go around ripping hatch covers off ships as souvenirs?

None of them is cheap. Thus, I can't see there being much of a challenge in paying fancy prices for these so-called "hand-me-downs." For example, I see where they're selling "old-fashioned" galvanized milk cans for \$25 to use as a place to store umbrellas. But since our kids lost all of ours, it wouldn't be too practical; also, we don't have any cows.

Of course, there are those who insist that they have "picked these relics up for a song." If so, what are the lyrics? In looking around our house, all we have is my husband's G.I. foot locker. But would it look good in the living room with a lamp on it?

We also have a discarded door in the garage — a little warped, but which might be turned into a cocktail table, if we could just figure out what to do with the knob.

It might make an excellent "conversation piece," however, in that friends would ask, "What's your door doing with the ash-trays on it?"

But as I say, where do you find these bargains? I can't even get hold of an empty orange crate to make into a bedside stand for one of our kids' bedrooms. It appears that oranges are now shipped in paper cartons. A shame. I appreciate paper cartons, especially during this time of year because they are ideal for luggage.

But for couples starting out in marriage, orange crates were a blessing. All you needed were a few thumb-tacks and material, for example, and you had yourself a neat dressing table.

Actually, I think a furniture manufacturer could make a small fortune by turning them out again. But maybe they already do and sell them as \$199 living room furniture suites.

Rho Xi Meeting
Rho Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will hold its September 25 meeting at the Torrance home of Mrs. Joseph Dinicola, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Robert Crawford will present the program, "Painting the Person," and "Her Crowning Glory."

At Lake Tahoe
Mr. and Mrs. Homer St. Martin of San Pedro, formerly of Torrance, will spend the coming week at South Lake Tahoe visiting their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bezanon, Sheryl and Steven.

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